STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PROVIDENCE, SC

SUPERIOR COURT

ATTORNEY GENERAL PETER F. KILMARTIN: IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY:

V.

C.A.NO.: 14- 3443

RHODE ISLAND STATE PROPERTIES COMMITTEE

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

- 1. Judgment shall enter in favor of the Plaintiff, Attorney General Peter F. Kilmartin and against the Defendant, Rhode Island State Properties Committee ("State Properties Committee").
- 2. The State Properties Committee acknowledges that it is a public body and is subject to the Open Meetings Act ("OMA"). See R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-1 et. seq.
- 3. The OMA mandates, inter alia, that "[a]ll public bodies within the executive branch of the state government and all state public and quasi-public boards, agencies and corporations * * * shall keep official and/or approved minutes of all meetings of the body and shall file a copy of the minutes of all open meetings with the secretary of state for inspection by the public within thirty-five (35) days of the meeting; provided that this subsection shall not apply to public bodies whose responsibilities are solely advisory in nature." R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-7(d).
- 4. Defendant, State Properties Committee, acknowledges that it failed to timely post on the Secretary of State's website official and/or approved minutes for its meetings dated August 13, 2013, September 26, 2013, October 8, 2013, November 5, 2013, and November 19, 2013, as well as other official and/or approved State Properties Committee meeting minutes, as required by R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-7(d). This settlement agreement incorporates the untimely posting of official and/or approved minutes for State Properties Committee meetings occurring on or before January 16, 2014.
- 5. Defendant State Properties Committee agrees to pay to the State of Rhode Island the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), such amount to be paid by the State Properties Committee within thirty (30) days of signing this Settlement Agreement, and no other costs or fees shall be assessed.

- 6. This Settlement Agreement shall become effective on the date of its execution and is binding upon the State Properties Committee, its agents, servants, successors, assigns, and all persons, corporations or entities acting through or for it.
- 7. In consideration of the State Properties Committee payment of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), this case is dismissed.

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